

**Number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients¹ by age group²,
September 2012³**

Age group	Number	%
Under 25	159,000	13.1
25 to 34	268,537	22.2
35 to 44	265,040	21.9
45 to 54	171,452	14.2
55 to 64	123,221	10.2
65 and above	222,087	18.4
All⁴	1,209,338	100.0

1. An income unit comprises a single person (with or without dependent children) or a couple (with or without dependent children). Single social security recipients living together in the same household are regarded as separate.

2. Age group is determined by the age of the reference person of the income unit. One member of a couple is treated as the reference person for the income unit, based on the type of payment they receive. The general order of priority is Pensions, Allowances, Family Tax Benefit (FTB).

3. As at fortnight ending 7 September 2012.

4. Income units with missing ages included in total.

Source: FaHCSIA Housing Data Set September 2012.